

MOUTH OF POCKET HOLDING DESPERATE HUNS IS SLOWLY BEING CLOSED BEHIND THEM

British and Italians Gain Important Points On East While Franco-Americans Smash Forward Again On West

PARIS, July 25—(Associated Press)—The Entente pinchers are closing in slowly but surely upon the portions of the Crown Prince's army still south of the Vesle River in the Marne salient and it is becoming more and more apparent that a portion of that army is to be pocketed and captured unless the German retreat, now in full swing, can be hastened. Even this hope for the Germans is becoming less possible of fulfillment with each hour, as the Allies close in from opposite directions and cut one after the other the roads over which the Germans must retreat.

Yesterday, on the center of the Aisne-Marne line, the Americans made a notable advance, cutting their way east for nearly two more miles, taking five heavy guns, fifty machine guns and many more prisoners.

VIOLENT COUNTERS REPULSED

Violent German counters were made at various points, and while these held up the general advance of the Allies at places along the front they failed entirely in checking the inexorable progress of the French, Americans and British, all of whom made notable gains. On the west side of the salient the Allies' front on the southern end is now near Comy, on the Soissons-Chateau Thierry railroad seven miles to the north of the latter city. This brings the American advance at this point ten and a half miles from the starting point of last Thursday, when the big counter-offensive was launched by Foeh.

MANY PRISONERS TAKEN

On the center, where the main American gains were made yesterday, mixed forces of French and Americans advanced for nearly two miles, bringing the line to the east of Courpoil, north of Epieds. Last night there was desperate fighting around both Epieds and Trugny, both of which villages were recaptured by the Americans and cleared of the enemy. In the advance yesterday afternoon beyond Armentieres many Germans were prisoner and heavy losses inflicted on the German rearguards who attempted to hold their positions. Heavy fighting in the Chatlet woods resulted in the wiping out of the German machine gun crews and the capture of all their guns. In this fighting Brecy was occupied.

FER-ENTARDENOIS BOMBARDED

The occupation of Trugny on the Ourcq by the Franco-Americans is most important as from this point guns have been brought to bear upon the important center of Fer-en-Tardenois, one of the principal German supply points, which is now under bombardment.

Reports of the battle on Tuesday show that the Germans lost very heavily, eighteen hundred and fifty prisoners being taken, including three battalion commanders. The booty captured by the Allies included four cannons, fifty-five trench cannons and more than three hundred machine guns.

FRENCH REPORT GAINS

From French headquarters at noon yesterday the reports showed violent fighting on both sides of the Marne pocket, with the Germans making the most desperate counters. There were not many fluctuations of the general line during the first hours of the day, but what changes were recorded were practically all in favor of the Allies. Southwest of Rheims the crack battalions of von Boehm's army were brought into the fight against the British and Italians, but even these troops could not stand the hammering of the Allied artillery and the persistent rushes of the infantry and gave ground repeatedly. The British and French guns have been augmented on this front and are hammering the German lines incessantly.

AMERICANS MOVE STEADILY

The early reports from American headquarters on the Marne stated that American, French and British battalions were hammering on both German flanks in ceaseless attacks, their efforts being generally favorable despite the fact that the Crown Prince had brought forward fresh troops to hold his badly shattered lines. The favorable weather had brought out droves of aircraft, resulting in numerous air battles. The Allied machines found the air clear for observation work and their reports were of great assistance to the higher commands in planning their blows.

Prisoners brought into the American lines reported the presence of General George Michaelis, a short time ago imperial chancellor of Germany, who is now commanding one of the brigades under von Boehm.

GERMANS HURRY GUNS AWAY

Franco-American troops before noon had succeeded in clearing the greater part of the Chatlet woods, the complete capture of which was reported in the night communiques. The Germans were continuing their rearguard actions, relying principally upon machine guns, their artillery having been withdrawn in a hurry to prevent the wholesale loss of guns as the Allies sweep forward.

In the capture of Epieds and in the advance beyond that village, the Americans were able to bring a portion of their cavalry into the fighting.

PREMIER TERAUCHI IS LOOKING FOR SUCCESSOR

TOKIO, July 24—(Special Cable to Nippo Jiji)—Premier Terauchi intimated that he would resign from the premiership as soon as he is able to find a successor. He is now negotiating with certain influential circles in view of his new successor. When the negotiations are concluded he will resign his cabinet to the new premier and retire from political life.

BRITISH MUNITION WORKERS ON STRIKE

LONDON, July 25—(Associated Press)—A big strike in some of the munition factories of Birmingham has been called, according to a Central News report. The union heads state that sixty-five thousand workers are involved. There are no details as to the grievances of the munition workers.

WILL DEBATE QUESTION OF EXCHANGE NEXT MONTH

WASHINGTON, July 24—(Official)—A conference with German representatives at Berne for the exchange of prisoners between the United States and Germany will be held late in August, the state department announces.

"Much Quieter" Is The German Version Of Events Yesterday

Orders Taken From Prisoners Show Hun Commanders Are Appealing To Troops Now and No Longer Threatening the Mutinous

LONDON, July 25—(Associated Press)—"Between Soissons and Rheims yesterday was much quieter" announces the official German report sent out by wireless from Berlin last night. This report says that there were "partial engagements" south of the Ourcq and southwest of Rheims.

JUGO-SLAVS LOOK TO AMERICA NOW

SEATTLE, July 24—(Official)—Dr. Hinko Hih, exiled Jugo-Slav leader, in a speech made here said that "in all places where the Jugo-Slavs hear the names of America and President Wilson, are signals for acclaim. They are a sign of a kind of revolutionary spirit of all our hopes. You of America are proclaiming through President Wilson the principles and ideals of freedom and brotherhood, and we have the deepest gratitude to you for it because you will not stop until these principles are realized."

FORMER CONSUL IS U-BOAT PLOTTER

BOSTON, July 25—(Associated Press)—Oswald Kunhardt, former German Austrian consul here, was arrested yesterday and held as an enemy alien by the federal authorities.

FINNS WAKING UP TO GERMAN SCHEMES

NEW YORK, July 24—(Official)—H. Montague Donner, president of the Finland Constitutional League of America, has issued a statement saying all danger is past of a break between Finland and the Allied governments and expressed the hope that President Wilson will declare sympathy with Finland and his intention on behalf of the Allies to see that Finland is allowed to retain her full independence after the war.

ONE GERMAN WORTH TWO HUNDRED SLAVS

AMSTERDAM, July 24—(Associated Press)—A dispatch from Moscow says that the Bolshevik officials have shot more than two hundred Social Revolutionists for participating in the plot to assassinate the late German ambassador, Dr. von Mirbach.

Does Sleep Fail to Refresh You?



Kidney troubles are very common in our country, partly because of the American habit of making a continued rush of either work or pleasure. It gives the system, especially the kidneys, no time to recover. When the kidneys are weak you are likely to feel all tired out and nervous, and to suffer from backache, headache, dizzy spells, sharp, darting pains and urinary irregularities. The kidneys need help. Use Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. Thousands recommend them for just such troubles.

Submarine Losses Steadily Declining June Smallest Since September 1916

LONDON, July 25—(Associated Press)—The losses in shipping by the British and the Allies during the month of June, as reported yesterday by the admiralty, show the least tonnage of any month since September of 1916. The losses include those from ordinary marine risk, and enemy action, the figures being exceeded with the greatest satisfaction as showing the decline in the effectiveness of the submarine campaign, all the more satisfactory in view of the vastly increased tonnage now being launched from British and particularly from American yards.

GERMANY STILL IN VICTORIOUS MOOD

Starts Movement For Peace That Would Acknowledge Her As War Victor

AMSTERDAM, July 24—(Associated Press)—Germany has authorized Spain to make definite peace proposals to the Entente, according to a report published yesterday in the Berlin Vorwaerts, the leading organ of the Socialists. The terms as proposed by Germany and outlined in Vorwaerts, would be on the basis of the status quo ante so far as the western front is concerned, but would leave to the Central Powers all their gains on the east.

FLOCK OF U-BOATS ATTACK A LINER

LONDON, July 25—(Associated Press)—After a desperate fight, lasting some hours, a flotilla of German submarines sank the British liner Justicia, a huge vessel of 32,324 gross tons. Ten of the crew were killed in the fighting but all the passengers and the others of the crew have been landed safely.

Reports of the attack on the big vessel are conflicting, some stating that the number of submarines engaged was three, while other reports put the number at eight or ten. The attack took place off the Irish coast and it was at an Irish port that the survivors were landed.

The gun crews on the liner made a desperate resistance, fighting all day in a running battle, with the number of U-boats being added to as the chase went on. Finally two torpedoes, out of a large number fired, struck the hull opposite the engine room, throwing the engines out of commission and leaving the ship at the mercy of the submarines. Four other torpedoes were then fired, and the Justicia created into a wreck.

The naval gunners of the big ship did some wonderful shooting. One torpedo rushing in a direct line towards the vessel was made the target of the gunners, a shell striking the torpedo and destroying it far enough away from the ship to do no damage. Another torpedo was deflected from its line by well placed shells. The gunners also kept the submarines well away and repeatedly drove them under when they rose to secure the range for their torpedoes.

The Justicia was built as the Dutch liner Stentander, being completed in a British yard when war was declared. She was commandeered by the admiralty and has since been in the government service.

TEN TO TWELVE CENTS FOR MAINLAND RICE

WASHINGTON, July 24—(Official)—The food administration announces that consumers are not expected to be required to pay more than ten to twelve cents a pound for rice when the 1919 crop is distributed. Arrangements are being completed with the millers for handling the crop. Millers will not be permitted to sell clean rice for more than prices ranging between 7.38 to 9.12 cents a pound.

CASUALTY LIST GIVES FIFTY SEVEN DEAD

WASHINGTON, July 24—(Associated Press)—Today's list of casualties announced by the war department is as follows: Killed in action, twenty; died of wounds, fourteen; of other causes, twenty-three; wounded, forty-eight; missing, one; prisoner, one.

TURKEY PROMISES, BUT HAS YET TO PERFORM

WASHINGTON, July 24—(Official)—Sweden has advised the state department that Turkey, answering the demand of the United States, has promised to do its full duty when the facts are established in connection with the seizure of the American consulate and looting of the American hospital at Tabriz, Persia, by Turkish troops. The reports say communication with Tabriz is difficult, but that Turkey is doing its utmost to learn the full details.

MUNITIONS WILL BE MADE IN FRANCE VERY LARGELY

LONDON, July 23—(Associated Press)—A strong court of distinguished lawyers of England, Scotland and Ireland is to be set up to consider woman's plea that she now has a legal right to sit in the House of Commons. The Lord Chancellors of England and Ireland and the Lord Advocate of Scotland will search the bases of the British Constitution for any statutes dealing with the following questions:

1. Is the woman Member of Parliament barred by statute?
2. Can she be nominated in an election?
3. Has she a common law right to sit in Parliament?
4. When the legal experts have given their verdict it will be for the government to decide, whether or not the House of Commons should be invited to take a step in favor of making it possible to elect women to Parliament.

FRAUDS UNCOVERED IN ARMY FOOD CONTRACTS

WASHINGTON, July 24—(Associated Press)—Army intelligence men and department of justice agents have uncovered frauds in provisioning of large contracts. Many army supply contracts are said to be involved.

SERBIANS STRIKE HARD AND BEAT BULGARS HEAVILY

Franco-Italian Advances Also Render Position of Germany's Ally Along Macedonian Front Most Precarious — Albanian Battles Fought in Snowstorms

PARIS, July 25—(Associated Press)—Attacking heavily, the Serbians yesterday inflicted heavy losses upon the Bulgarians north of Monastir, on the Macedonian front. The battle was fought along the west bank of the Cerna River, which the Serbians cleared for a considerable distance.

This attack, in conjunction with the continuous advance of the French and Italians in Albania, renders the Bulgarian positions to the east of Lake Ochrida more and more difficult to hold and a readjustment of the Bulgar line may be forced.

FRENCH ADVANCING

The Italian-French smash from the Adriatic to the mountain region west of Lake Ochrida, besides resulting in severe losses in men and supplies to the Austrians holding the Albanian end of the line, has completely shattered the Austrian plans for an offensive on their part in Albania. It has also created a nervousness among the Bulgarians that is apparent in all their recent operations as far east as Lake Dorian.

The French and Italians have now occupied the entire mountain region dominating the right side of the Devoli Valley above its confluence with the Huota. The recent advances of the Franco-Italians have given them the villages of Izgyuba and Kokoshovo.

BATTLE IN SNOWSTORMS

On the twenty-first and twenty-second, in the fighting in the mountains, six hundred and forty-two prisoners were taken, with a number of mountain batteries and large quantities of supplies. The fighting was carried on under the most difficult conditions, some of the battles being fought at high altitudes and in the midst of snowstorms.

HALF MILLION GET THEIR WAGES BOOSTED

WASHINGTON, July 25—(Associated Press)—Secretary McAdoo, as director general of the railroad administration, yesterday authorized an increase in the wages of all railroad shop men to sixty eight cents an hour, with a proportionate increase to shop assistants and miscellaneous mechanics. The new wage scale brings increase to half a million men.

SAN DIEGO LIST OF LOST IS SMALL

WASHINGTON, July 24—(Associated Press)—It is announced at the navy department that the known dead at the explosion and sinking of the U. S. cruiser San Diego are three, and that only three are still missing.

RUSSIANS MOBILIZING

AMSTERDAM, July 24—(Associated Press)—News has reached here that a general mobilization of the Russian army began on July 17.

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